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SUBJECT

Defense Mapping Agency (DMA)

Reference: (a) DoD Directive 5105.27, "Defense Intelligence Agency (Mapping, Charting, and Geodesy)," November 21, 1962 (hereby cancelled)

I. GENERAL

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Secretary of Defense, the Defense Mapping Agency (DMA) is hereby established as an Agency of the Department of Defense under the direction, authority, and control of the Secretary of Defense and subject to DoD policies, directives and instructions.

II. CANCELLATION

Reference (a) is hereby superseded and cancelled.

III. MISSION AND SCOPE

The mission of DMA is to provide support to the Secretary of Defense, the Military Departments, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and other DoD Components, as appropriate, on matters concerning mapping, charting and geodesy (MC&G).

IV. ORGANIZATION

A. The DMA shall consist of:

1. A Director, a Deputy Director, a headquarters establishment, and such subordinate elements and facilities as are specifically assigned to the Agency by the Secretary of Defense.

2. Subordinate organizations as are established by the Director, DMA for the accomplishment of DMA's mission.
- B. The chain of command shall run from the Secretary of Defense, through the Joint Chiefs of Staff, to the Director, DMA.

V. RESPONSIBILITIES AND FUNCTIONS

- A. The Director, DMA shall:

1. Organize, direct, and manage the DMA and its field organizations.
2. Serve as Program Manager and coordinator of all DoD MC&G resources and activities. This includes review of the execution of all DoD plans, programs, and policies for MC&G activities not assigned to DMA.
3. Provide staff advice and assistance on MC&G matters to the Secretary of Defense, the Military Departments, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, other DoD Components, and other government agencies, as appropriate.
4. Develop a Consolidated Mapping, Charting, and Geodesy Program for review by the JCS and approval by the Secretary of Defense.
5. In support of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, review and validate MC&G requirements and priorities; develop a consolidated statement of MC&G requirements and priorities.
6. Insure responsive support to the MC&G requirements of the Military Departments and the Unified and Specified Commands.
- X 7. Establish policies and provide DoD participation in national and international MC&G activities in coordination with the ASD(International Security Affairs);

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execute DoD responsibilities under interagency and international MC&G agreements.

8. Establish DoD MC&G data collection requirements; collect or task other DoD Components to collect and provide necessary data.
 9. Establish DoD MC&G RDT&E requirements in coordination with the Director, Defense Research and Engineering; task other DoD Components or private contractors to accomplish such requirements.
 10. Carry out the statutory responsibilities assigned under U.S.C. Title 10, Chapter 639, Sections 7391, 7392, 7393, 7394 for providing nautical charts and marine navigation data for the use of all vessels of the United States and of navigators generally.
- B. The Secretaries of the Military Departments and the Commanders of Unified and Specified Commands shall:
1. Develop and submit to DMA their MC&G requirements and priorities.
 2. Provide support, within their respective fields of responsibilities, to the Director, DMA, as required to carry out the assigned mission of the Agency.
 3. Assess the responsiveness of the DMA to their operational needs.
- C. The Joint Chiefs of Staff shall:
1. Advise the Secretary of Defense on MC&G requirements and priorities.
 2. Provide guidance to the DMA and the Unified and Specified Commands which will serve as the basis for interrelationships between these organizations.

3. Obtain the advice and recommendations from the Director, DMA on matters within his areas of responsibility.
- D. The Assistant Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) shall provide primary staff supervision and financial management of the DoD MC&G program on behalf of the Secretary of Defense.

VI. AUTHORITY

The Director, DMA is specifically delegated authority to:

- A. Command the Defense Mapping Agency.
- B. Task DoD Components directly to accomplish MC&G RDT&E and data collection requirements as established by DMA..
- C. Have access to direct communications with DoD Components and, after appropriate coordination, with other organizations.
- D. Exercise the administrative authorities contained in Enclosure 1 of this Directive. To the extent that any law or executive order specifically limits the exercise of such authority to persons at the Secretarial level, such authority shall be exercised by the ASD(Comptroller).

VII. RELATIONSHIPS

- A. In the performance of his functions, the Director, DMA shall:
 1. Maintain appropriate liaison with other Components of the DoD and other agencies for the exchange of information in his field of assigned responsibilities.
 2. Make use of existing DoD facilities and services wherever practicable to achieve maximum efficiency and economy.

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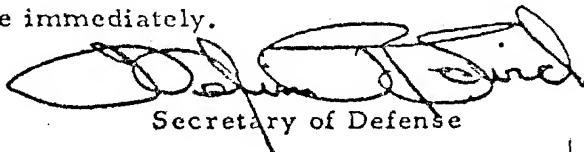
3. Ensure that the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Military Departments, and appropriate OSD staff elements are kept fully informed concerning DMA activities of substantive concern to them.
- B. The Military Departments and other DoD Components shall:
 1. Provide assistance within their respective fields of responsibility to the Director, DMA.
 2. Coordinate with DMA all programs and activities which include or are related to MC & G.

VIII. ADMINISTRATION

- A. The Director, DMA will be a lieutenant general or vice admiral appointed by the Secretary of Defense, upon recommendation of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.
- B. The Deputy Director will be appointed by the Secretary of Defense. If military, the Deputy Director will be recommended by the Joint Chiefs of Staff and will normally be selected from a Service different from that of the Director. If civilian, the Deputy Director will be recommended by the ASD(Comptroller).
- C. DMA will be authorized such personnel, facilities, funds, and other administrative support as the Secretary of Defense deems necessary.
- D. The Military Departments will assign military personnel to DMA in accordance with approved Joint Manpower Program authorizations. Procedures for such assignments will be as agreed upon between the Director, DMA, and the individual Military Departments.

IX. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Directive is effective immediately.



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Secretary of Defense

Enclosure - 1
Delegations of Authority

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